



**US Army Corps  
of Engineers**  
Portland District

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## **for Permit Application**

Issue Date: June 18, 2003

Expiration Date: July 19, 2003

Corps of Engineers Action ID: 199601727

Oregon Division of State Lands Number: RP-4187

### **30-Day Notice**

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Interested parties are hereby notified that an application has been received for a Department of the Army permit for certain work in waters of the United States, as described below and shown on the attached plan.

**Comments:** Comments on the described work should reference the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers number shown above and should reach this office no later than the above expiration date of this Public Notice to become part of the record and be considered in the decision. Comments should be mailed to the following address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
ATTN: CENWP-OP-GE(Ms. Lisa Grudzinski)  
Eugene Field Office  
1600 Executive Parkway Suite 210  
Eugene, Oregon 97401-2156

**Applicant:** Mr. Virgil Frazier  
South Coast Lumber Company  
P.O. Box 670  
Brookings, Oregon 97415

**Location:** The project site is on the south bank of the Chetco River at approximate River Mile 7.0, near Brookings, Curry County, Oregon. The site is located in Sections 24 and 25 of Township 40 South, Range 13 West.

**Project Description:** The applicant has requested authorization to remove gravel from two adjacent bars on the south bank of the Chetco River. Up to 30,000 cubic yards of gravel would be removed over the three-year life of the permit. Pre-removal and post-removal surveys of the river bars would be conducted.

Bar A (Lower River Bar): Gravel has been removed historically at the rate of up to 5,000 cubic yards per year. The removal area measures approximately 240,000 square feet (5.5 acres). The removal depth varies between zero to five feet. A temporary railcar bridge would be installed at an existing low-water ford to provide access to the site for the removal operation.

Bar B (Upper Bar): Gravel has been removed historically at the rate of up to 5,000 cubic yards per year. The removal area measures approximately 228,000 square feet (5.2 acres). The removal depth varies between zero to eight feet.

The applicant would use a crawler tractor with a blade to scalp the gravel into a windrow, then use a front-end wheel loader and dump trucks to load and transport the gravel to an upland stockpile location. All work would be outside the active channel. Once the work is complete, the surface of the gravel bars would be leveled and sloped toward the river as needed.

**Purpose:** Obtain gravel for private use.

**Drawings:** Six (6) drawings are attached.

**Additional Information:** Additional information may be obtained from Ms. Lisa Grudzinski, Regulatory Project Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at (541) 756-5316.

**Authority:** This permit will be issued or denied under the following:

Section 404, Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), for discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States.

**Water Quality Certification:** A permit for the described work will not be issued until certification, as required under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (P.L. 95-217), has been received or is waived from the certifying state. Attached is the state's notice advertising the request for certification.

**Section 404(b)(1) Evaluation:** The impact of the activity on the public interest will be evaluated in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency guidelines pursuant to Section 404(b)(1) of the Clean Water Act.

**Coastal Zone Management Act Certification:** A permit for the described work will not be issued until the state has concurred with the applicant's certification that the described activity affecting land or water uses in the Coastal Zone complies with the State Coastal Zone Management Program. Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended by 16 U.S.C. 1456(c)(3) requires the applicant to provide a Certification of Consistency statement. If the state fails to concur or object to the certification statement within six months, state concurrence shall be conclusively presumed. Attached to this Public Notice is a notice of application for Certification of Consistency with the State's Coastal Zone Management Program.

**Public Hearing:** Any person may request in writing within the comment period specified in this notice that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state with particularity the reasons for holding a public hearing.

**Endangered Species:** Preliminary determinations indicate that the described activity will not effect endangered species or their critical habitat designated as endangered under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (87 Stat. 844). A permit for the proposed activity will not be issued until the consultation process is completed.

**Cultural Resources:** The described activity is not located on property registered or eligible for registration in the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places. This notice has been provided to the State Historic Preservation Office.

**Evaluation:** The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the described activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the described activity, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors, which may be relevant to the described activity, will be

considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, consideration of property ownership, and in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

**Additional Requirements:** State law requires that leases, easements, or permits be obtained for certain works or activity in the described waters. These State requirements must be met where applicable and a Department of the Army permit must be obtained before any work within the applicable Statutory Authority previously indicated may be accomplished. Other local governmental agencies may also have ordinances or requirements, which must be satisfied before the work is accomplished.

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## **Oregon Department of Environmental Quality**

### **Water Quality 401 Certification**

Corps of Engineers Action ID Number: 199601727  
Oregon Division of State Lands Number: RP-4187

Notice Issued: June 18, 2003  
Written Comments Due: July 19, 2003

**WHO IS THE APPLICANT:** Mr. Virgil Frazier  
South Coast Lumber Company  
P.O. Box 670  
Brookings, Oregon 97415

**LOCATION OF CERTIFICATION ACTIVITY:** See attached U.S. Army Corps of Engineers public notice.

**WHAT IS PROPOSED:** See attached U.S. Army Corps of Engineers public notice on the proposed project.

**NEED FOR CERTIFICATION:** Section 401 of the Federal Clean Water Act requires applicants for Federal permits or licenses to provide the Federal agency a water quality certification from the State of Oregon if the proposed activity may result in a discharge to surface waters.

**DESCRIPTION OF DISCHARGES:** See attached U.S. Army Corps of Engineers public notice on the proposed project.

**WHERE TO FIND DOCUMENTS:** Documents and related material are available for examination and copying at Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Division, 811 S.W. Sixth Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204-1390.

While not required, scheduling an appointment will ensure documents are readily accessible during your visit. To schedule an appointment please call Ms. Alice Kavajecz at (503) 229-6962.

Any questions on the proposed certification may be addressed to the 401 Program Coordinator at (503) 229-5845, or toll free within Oregon at 1-800-452-4011. People with hearing impairments may call DEQ's TTY at (503) 229-6993.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

**Public Hearing:** Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 340-48-0020 (6) states that "The Director shall provide an opportunity for the applicant, any affected state, or any interested agency, person, or group of persons to request or petition for a public hearing with respect to certification applications. If the Director determines that new information may be produced thereby, a public hearing will be held prior to the Director's final determination. Instances of doubt shall be resolved in favor of holding the hearing. There shall be public notice of such a hearing."

#### **Written comments:**

Written comments on the proposed certification must be received at the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality by 5 p.m. on July 17, 2003. Written comments should be mailed to Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Attn: 401 Program Coordinator, 811 S.W. Sixth Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204-1390 or faxed to (503) 229-6124. *People wishing to send written comments via e-mail should be aware that if there is a delay between servers or if a server is not functioning properly, e-mails may not be received prior to the close of the public comment period.* People

wishing to send comments via e-mail should send them in Microsoft Word (through version 7.0), WordPerfect (through version 6.x) or plain text format at [deq.infor@deqstate.or.us](mailto:deq.infor@deqstate.or.us). Otherwise due to conversion difficulties, DEQ recommends that comments be sent in hard copy.

**WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:** DEQ will review and consider all comments received during the public comment period. Following this review, the permit may be issued as proposed, modified, or denied. You will be notified of DEQ's final decision if you present either oral or written comments during the comment period. Otherwise if you wish to receive notification, please call or write DEQ at the above address.

**ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION:** This publication is available in alternate format (e.g. large print, Braille) upon request. Please contact DEQ Public Affairs at (503) 229-5766 or toll free within Oregon at 1-800-452-4011 to request an alternate format. People with a hearing impairment can receive help by calling DEQ's TTY at (503) 229-6993.

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## **OREGON COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

### **CONSISTENCY CERTIFICATION**

Date: June 18, 2003

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#### **NOTIFICATION**

For projects subject to coastal zone review, notice is hereby given that the project is being reviewed by the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) as provided in Section 307(c) of the Coastal Zone Management Act. The applicant believes that the activities described in the attached materials would comply with and be conducted in a manner consistent with the Oregon Coastal Management Program. Project information can be made available for inspection at DLCD's Salem office.

DLCD is hereby soliciting public comments on the proposed project's consistency with the Oregon Coastal Management Program. Written comments may be submitted to DLCD, 635 Capital St. NE, Suite 200, Salem, OR 97301-2540, attention consistency review specialist. Any comments must be received by DLCD on or before the comment deadline listed in the federal notice. For further information, you may call DLCD at (503) 373-0050, ext. 250.

#### **REVIEW CRITERIA**

Comments should address consistency with the applicable elements of the Oregon Coastal Management Program. These elements include:

- Acknowledged Local Comprehensive Plans & Implementing Ordinances
- Statewide Planning Goals
- Applicable State Authorities (e.g. Removal-Fill Law and Oregon Water Quality Standards)

#### **INCONSISTENT**

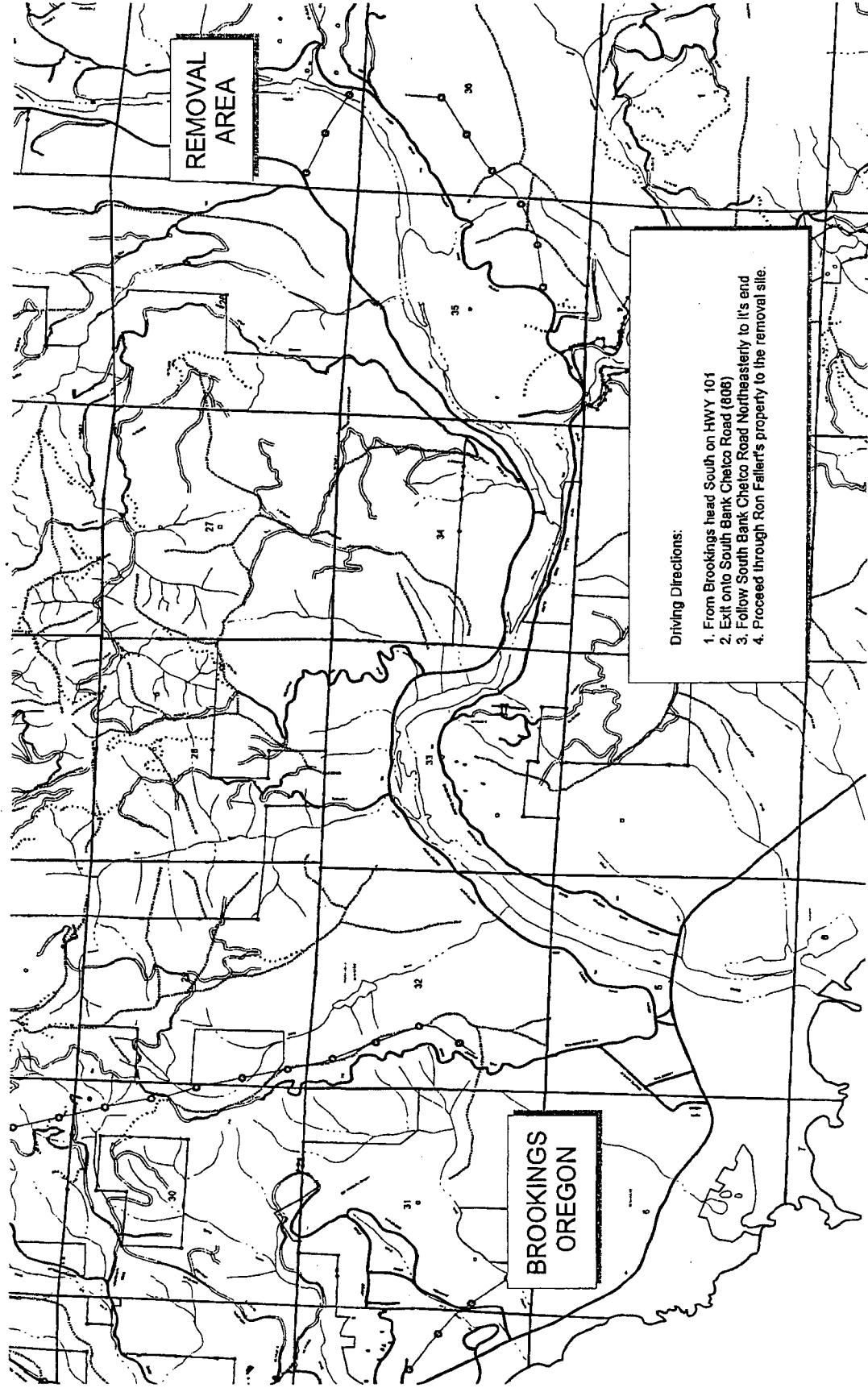
If you believe this project is inconsistent with the Oregon Coastal Management Program, your comments to DLCD should explain why you believe the project is inconsistent and should identify the Oregon Coastal Management Program element(s) in question. You should also describe how the project could be modified, if possible, to make it consistent with the Oregon Coastal Management Program.



# South Coast Lumber Company

Vicinity Map for RP-4187

Section 25, T.40S., R.13W., W.M.



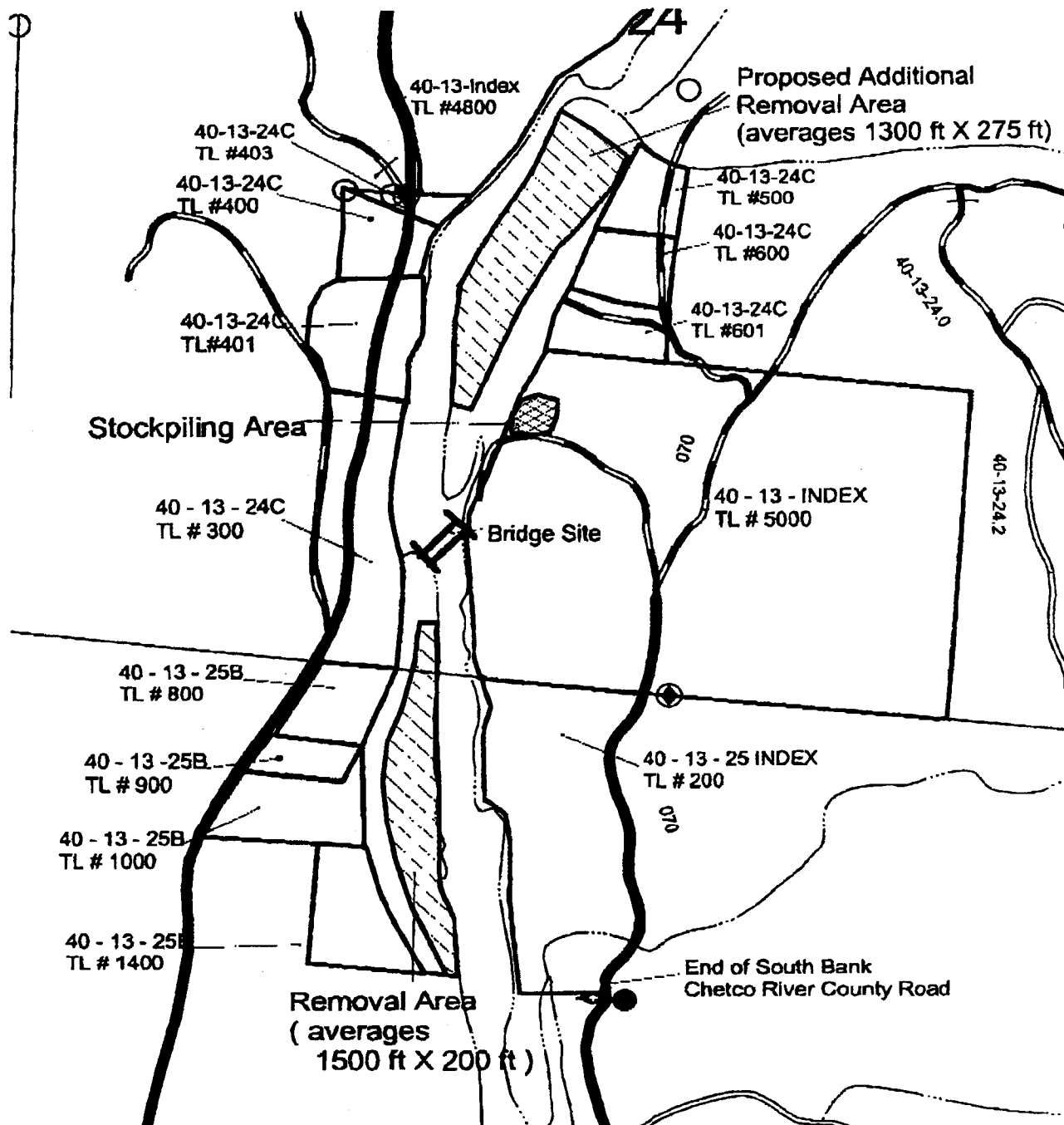
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## Gravel Extraction Site Map

Sections 24 & 25, T40S, R13W, W.M.



Scale: 1 inch = 600 Feet



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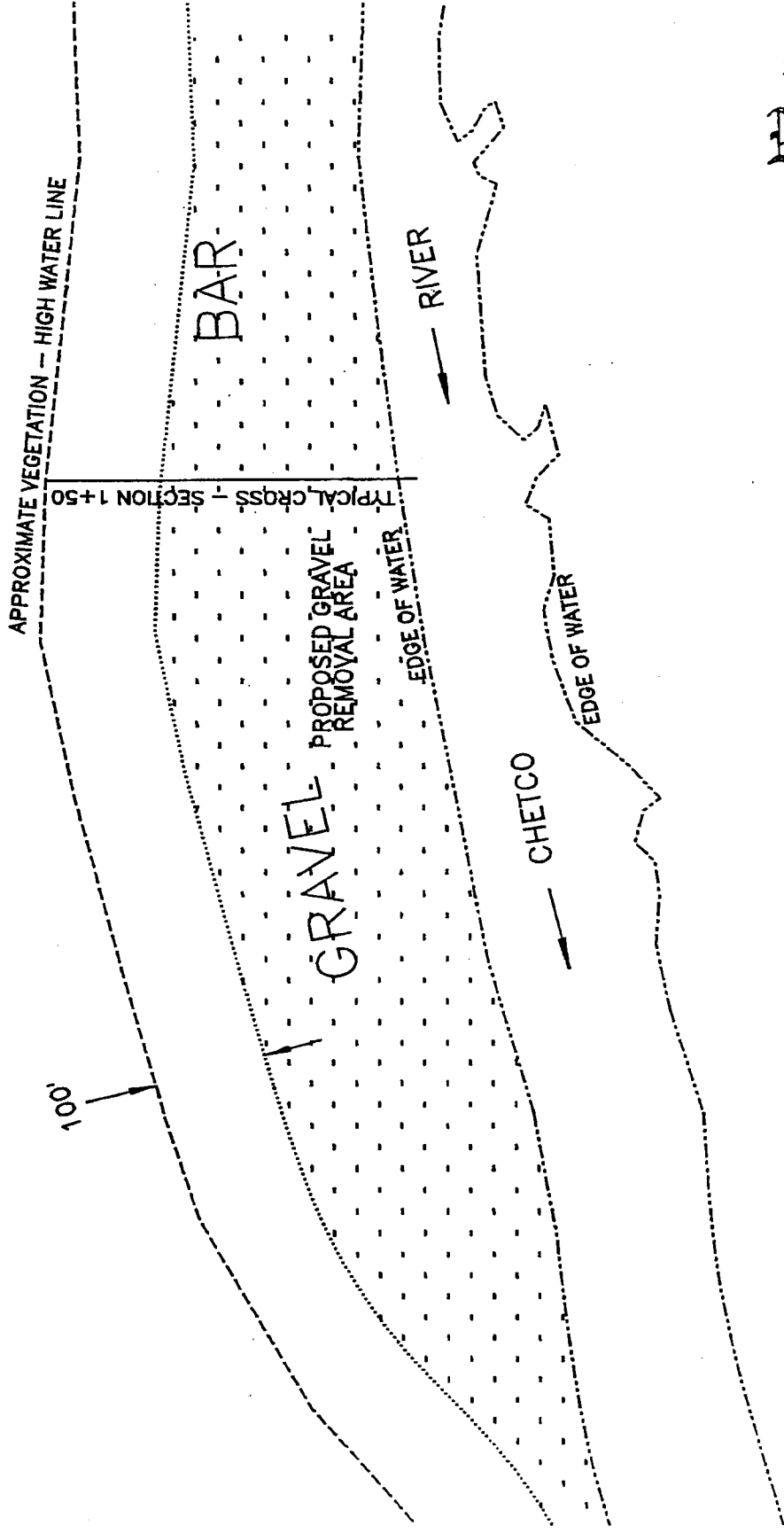
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FOR  
SOUTH COAST LUMBER COMPANY  
LOCATED IN  
SECTION 24 & 25, TOWNSHIP 40 SOUTH, RANGE 13 WEST,  
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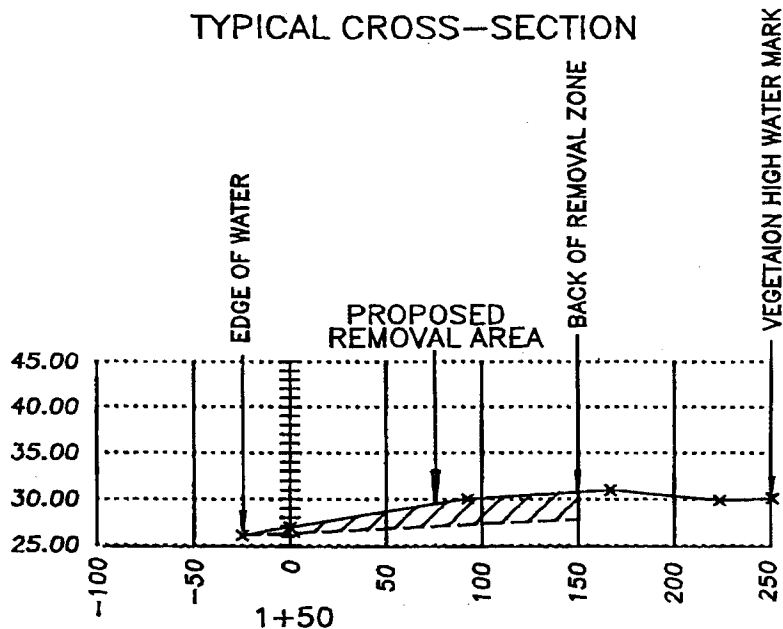
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SCALE: 1" = 150'

DOWNSTREAM GRAVEL BAR  
PRE & PROPOSED GRAVEL REMOVAL CROSS SECTIONS  
FOR  
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LOCATED IN  
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TYPICAL CROSS-SECTION



VERTICAL SCALE: 1" = 20'  
HORIZONTAL SCALE: 1" = 100'

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— RIVER

CHETCO

EDGE OF WATER

PROPOSED GRAVEL  
REMOVAL AREA

BAR

GRAVEL

EDGE OF WATER

TYPICAL CROSS - SECTION 4+50

APPROXIMATE VEGETATION - HIGH WATER LINE

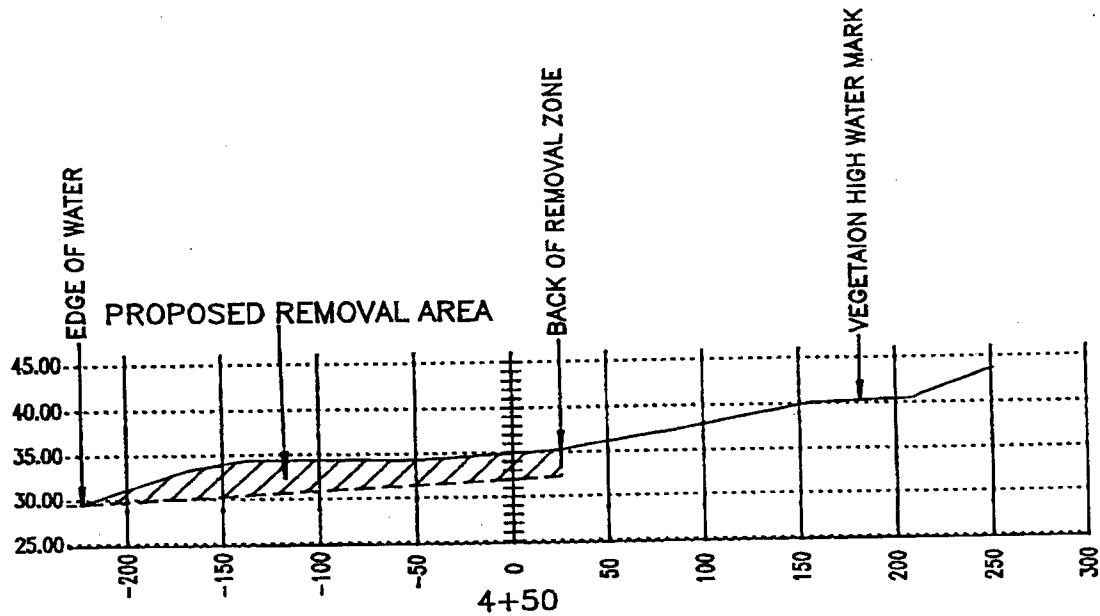
GRAVEL  
STOCKPILE  
AREA



SCALE: 1" = 130'

UPSTREAM GRAVEL BAR  
PRE & PROPOSED GRAVEL REMOVAL CROSS-SECTION  
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